

# Sedalia Evening Democrat.

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## CHICAGO DOOMED.

A SCIENTIST CLAIMS THAT THE SOIL IS UNDERMINED.

Not Sufficient Thickness of Soil to Bear the Weight of the Exposition Building.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 30.—German papers here print the following: "Chicago is doomed to destruction. It is not an empty prophecy, but a mathematical calculation by an engineer, that proclaims such catastrophe in 1893. According to his calculations the soil and subsoil of Chicago are incapable of carrying such colossal structures as are contemplated for the World's Fair. The weight of the contemplated buildings and monuments must cause a depression of ground which will engulf the city and the exposition. The engineer asserts that the action of the waves of lake Michigan has undermined and washed out the soil of the city so that the stratum of earth upon which Chicago stands has a thickness of only sixteen feet and is too weak to carry the weight of the colossal exposition buildings and when the depression occurs the city will sink forty feet to the stratum next to the present one."

### PREDICTS ANNEXATION.

Truth Thinks Canada Should be Annexed to United States.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—To-day's Truth, commenting at length upon the situation in Canada in connection with the recent cabinet changes, asserts the manifest and inevitable destiny of Canada to attach itself to the United States, or become herself an independent republic and the sooner that event occurs the better it will be for both England and the dominion, as it will free the former from trans-atlantic complications and give the latter a new impulse toward progress. The Indians Truth says, would be only sufferers by the change from their transfer to the Indian department at Washington, which Truth declares is probably the most corrupt and rascally institution on earth.

Labouchere also predicts Australia would soon follow Canada's example, and indeed would be possibly first to discover the bonds which unite her to the imperial government. Talk of Australian loyalty to the British crown, is, in the opinion of Truth, is all buncombe.

### A GOOD MAN GONE.

Rev. G. W. Longan Dies at His Home Last Night.

Rev. G. W. Longan, one of the oldest Christian ministers in the state and for years a pastor in this city, died at his home in Sweet Springs at 8 o'clock last night after an illness of about two weeks. He was first taken with la grippe, which gradually developed into pneumonia and finally resulted in his death.

Rev. Longan has been a pastor of the Christian church at Sweet Springs for about two years. He has a large number of relatives throughout the state and is the uncle of Prosecuting Attorney George Longan and a brother of J. B. Longan.

He would have been 72 years old to-morrow, had he lived, and has passed a full, vigorous life in zealous work in his high and chosen calling. He was a man of strong character and of fine intellectual attainments.

His funeral will doubtless take place Friday, though no definite time has yet been set.

His family consisted of a wife only.

### PENSION FOR MRS. DAVIS.

The Tennessee Legislature to be Asked to Give \$1,000 Annually.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 29.—At a meeting of the ex-confederates in this city this afternoon a resolution was adopted appointing a committee of five to present to the next general assembly a bill appropriating the sum of \$1,000 annually as a pension for the use of Mrs. Jefferson Davis. It was further resolved that a committee correspond with the governors and citizens of other southern states requesting them to call the attention of their legislature to this subject and recommend the passage of a like appropriation bill.

### Being Investigated.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y. Dec. 30.—At eleven o'clock this morning Coroner Mitchell began the inquest into the disaster on the N. Y. Central at Hastings by which twelve persons

lost their lives through a tail end collision between the Niagara express and St. Louis express. Station agent Delaney, of Hastings, was first witness called and testified to the rules of the railroad company regarding the running of trains past his depot, as well as the arrangement of signal, and rules requiring stopping of trains when there is danger ahead.

## SHORT OF FUNDS.

THE UNITED STATES TREASURY NOW NEARLY EMPTY.

Government Officials Greatly Now Alarmed at the Unfortunate Condition of Affairs.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The Commercial Bulletin's Washington special says: "The steady shrinkage of available cash in the treasury is causing alarm at the department, and if it continues much longer Secretary Foster will set about devising new methods for raising money. The debt statement for September 1st is the last which has shown an increase in the net cash balance in the treasury. The amount rose during August from \$55,783,715 to \$60,274,394, redemption of four and one-half percent bonds carried the amount down to \$44,987,968 on October 1st and ordinary demands forced it down to \$39,671,950 on November 1st, and to \$39,126,917 on December 1st. The figures for January will not exceed \$36,000,000 and may fall below \$35,000,000."

Every resource has been nearly exhausted to increase the resources actually available, and if Secretary Foster had not shown striking skill and foresight in the matter there would not now be a dollar of available currency outside of gold certificates in the treasury and its branches. Bank deposits have been reduced almost as much as the convenience of the government will permit. Appropriations for recoinage subsidiary silver into forms which will permit its circulation have been nearly exhausted and all of the trade dollar bullion has been coined and put into circulation.

### A TEXAS TRAGEDY.

Superintendent of the Austin Insane Asylum Shot and Killed.

AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 30.—Dr. W. W. Reeves, superintendent of the state insane asylum, was shot and instantly killed yesterday by Henry Hurnell, son of Ex-United States Marshal Thomas Hurnell. The murderer has shown signs of insanity for years.

### Heavy Gales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—High winds are doing considerable damage in this vicinity. Wires between the city and Sandy Hook are all down. Incoming vessels report heavy weather. The Wilson line steamer Egyptian Monarch reports a succession of gales with tremendous seas which washed away all loose furniture on deck. A seaman was severely injured by being struck by a wave and dashed against the iron stanchion. The steamer had to put into Halifax to re-coal.

### Christian Church Conference.

LEBANON, MO., Dec. 29.—The district convention of the Christian Church convened here at 9 o'clock to-day. The district comprises about thirteen counties in the Northwest. This is the first meeting. The object of the convention is to discuss the needs of the field and the organizing for the work.

### Bad Week.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Dispatches received here to-day from St. Petersburg report a serious accident on Minsk and Smolinsk railway in Russia yesterday. An express ran into a train loaded with troops, killing twenty persons and badly injuring a number of others.

### Why Cycles Are High.

From the St. Louis Republic.

A first-class bicycle which costs \$60 in England costs \$106 after it has acquired the McKinley tax by passing through our custom house. This keeps the price of first-class American bicycles above \$100 and it is hard on the wheelmen. But they and the rest of us could stand it if this were not true of thousands of articles besides bicycles.

### Dr. Heber Newton Better.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Dr. Heber Newton, who has been very ill with the grip, recovered consciousness this morning, but is not yet out of danger.

## NOT SO WARLIKE.

THE CHILIAN GOVERNMENT TO BE GIVEN A CHANCE.

Secretary Elkins to Enter Upon The Discharge of His Duties at Once.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Secretary Elkins accompanied by his wife and daughter arrived home early this morning and has taken temporary quarters at the Normandy. It is expected the new secretary will enter upon the discharge of his duties at the war department to-morrow.

Miss Rachel Sherman, daughter of Gen. W. T. Sherman, and Mr. Paul Thorndyke, of Boston, were married at high noon in this city to-day. The president and Mrs. Harrison, and a number of notable people, were present.

In both state and navy departments to-day there was a dearth of news bearing upon Chilean affairs, in fact there seems to be a lull in the situation and the warlike aspect that has characterized these departments for so many days, has to all appearances disappeared. It is believed that this is due to yesterday's cabinet meeting when, it is understood, the president's attention was called to the difficulties surrounding President Montt in the formation of his cabinet. In view of this fact and the disturbed condition of the Chilean government generally, it is probable that this government will not push matters, but give the newly installed president of Chili time to form his cabinet.

### THE CONTEST DECIDED.

A Sedalia Young Lady Secures the \$100 Prize—Many Contest.

The ladies having in charge the word contest of the Sedalia city hospital ended their labors last evening. A prize of \$100 was offered to the person sending in the largest list of words contained in the word "hospital." Each one trying for the prize was required to send fifty cents with the list. There were 526 contestants, making the neat sum of \$263. Lists were sent from all parts of the country.

The committee made the following report to Mrs. I. Wolf, the secretary:

The "word contest committee" respectfully submit to the various contestants for the prize of one hundred dollars offered by the Ladies Hospital Aid association, of Sedalia, Mo., to the person presenting the list containing the greatest number of approved words formed from the letters found in the word "Hospital," and with less than ten errors, the following list prepared by Rose E. Anderson, of Sedalia, Mo., as the one which meets the requirements of the contest more fully than any other list presented to the committee, and she was accordingly awarded the prize.

A, ah, ai, ail, ait, al, alioth, alish, alp, alphos, alphist, alps, also, also, alto, aphis, apiol, apis, apish, apo, \* apostil, apt, as, ash, ashpit, asp, at, atop.

Ha, hail, hal, halo, halp, hals, halt, hap, has, hasp, hast, hat, hilt, hip, his, hist, hit, ho, hoa, hoi, hoist, hoit, hol, help, holt, hop, hospital, host, hot.

I, io, iota, is, it, its. L, la, lap, lapis, las, lash, last, lat, lath, latish, li, las, lip, lish, lisp, list, lit, lith, lo, loath, lop, los, lost, lot, lots, \* loth.

O, oast, oat, oath, oh, oil, ola, opah, opal, os, ost, otis.

Pa, pah, pahi, pail, pais, pal, pali, palish, pas, pash, past, patil, pat, path, pathos, patio, patois, phial, pholas, pi, pial, pilot, piot, pish, pist, pistol, pit, pita, pith, plait, plash, plat, plot, poa, poh, poi, polish, polt, posh, posit, post, postal, postil, pot, potash, psha.

Sai, sail, saith, sal, salop, salp, salt, sao, sap, sat, shail, shalt, ship, shoal, shoat, shola, shop, shot, si, silo, silt, sip, sit, sith, slap, slat, slip, sloat, slop, slot, sloth, so, soal, soap, soil, sol, sola, soll, sop, soph, sophi, sophta, sot, sotil, spa, spahi, spat, spat, spial, spilt, spith, spit, spital, split, spoil, spoilt, spot, stail, stal, stola, stop.

Ta, tail, tails, tap, tapis, tapish, tas, th, this, tho, thos, til, tip, tis, \* to, toil, tol, tola, top, toph, topi, topsail, tosh.

\*Errors. The winner, Miss Rose E. Anderson's list contained 233 words, 230 of which were correct and complied with the rules of the contest.

W. H. Hassler, a St. Louis school boy, was close to the winner. His list contained 228 words, only one of which was counted as an error.

W. W. Walling, of this city, hand-

ed in a list of 239 words, but 12 words were counted as errors because they did not comply with the rules.

### PROBABLY DEFEATED.

The Jail Proposition Unpopular in the Country.

Election returns from the city and all of the county except Longwood and Heath's creek give 2,053 for the jail proposition and 933 against.

It is believed that both the unreported precincts will give adverse majorities and it is probable that the proposition has failed of adoption.

## TROUBLE FEARED.

THE MESSIAH CRAZE AGAIN AMONG THE INDIANS.

The Deluded Savages Gathering in the Hills to Dance Until the Messiah Arrives.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 30.—Couriers who have just come in from the Arapahoe and Cheyenne reservations bring reports to the effect that the "Messiah" craze, which caused so much trouble and bloodshed last winter, has again broken out among the Indians in that section. It is feared that serious trouble will ensue, as about a thousand Indians have gathered in the hills where they have been dancing for many days. The Indians say they will not stop until the "Messiah" arrives. A great many of the most restless and troublesome characters always gather on such occasions and lose no opportunity to make trouble.

### Fighting Expected.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Dec. 30.—Catarino Garza's movement to invade Mexico and restore the constitution of 1857 now includes probably 7,000 active supporters with many sympathizers on both sides of the Rio Grande. An official telegram received to-day from Capt. Wheeler at Ft. Ringold says Capt. Bourke's command of cavalry is at Salina, 70 miles north. Garza has 250 men near Topena and is ready to fight either Mexicans or Americans. Capt. Hardie, Capt. Bourke and Brooks, Texas rangers, are expected to engage Garza's forces within 12 hours.

### Kansas City Man Missing.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—W. T. Hall, a veteran real estate man has been missing since December 28, and his friends entertain fear as to his safety. The firm of W. T. Hall & Co., of which he is chief, has lately become involved in financial difficulties and Mr. Hall has appeared so worried and harassed that his friends think he committed suicide during a fit of despondency. The extent of the firm's obligations is unknown, but they are said to be up in the thousands.

### TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Baltimore ministers have taken a firm stand against Sunday funerals.

A well-matured plan for the depopulation of Denver jail was accidentally discovered.

The Hotel Imperial of Baltimore was invaded by creditors, who took away carpets, etc.

Texarkana (Ark.) School Board is alarmed about gambling among the school children.

The Southern Pacific railroad company will hereafter decline to publish its reports of earnings.

Officers were elected at the sixteenth annual convention of the Northwestern Traveling Men's Association in Chicago.

Judge McEnery has accepted the democratic nomination for Governor of Louisiana. He declares himself opposed to the lottery.

In a wreck caused by a head-end collision of two freight trains near Chillicothe, three men were killed and two others fatally wounded, while 100 cattle were killed.

Georgia cotton factors have called a convention of all those interested in growing cotton to take action on the proposition to reduce the acreage of cotton next year.

Senator Washburn repudiates the Boston "interview" about Blaine, but says he believes Blaine will accept if his party so wishes and if his health continues as good as it is now.

Garza's revolution is said to be rapidly reaching respectable proportions. Every Mexican in Texas is said to be in sympathy, and he is credited with having secret backing in Mexican cities. The military authorities on both sides of the river are using every exertion to meet and exterminate his bands.

## SEASON 1892.

## New Stock of Wall Paper!

We have secured our new stock of Wall Paper and Decorations for the year of 1892, and we invite you to call and see it. We can show you a finer and larger stock than we ever have in the past. We have secured the services of Mr. H. D. Case for our Wall Paper department. He having had 12 years' experience in the largest wall paper houses of the west, would be pleased to show you the new designs in Wall Paper.

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### Patent New Year Resolves.

Burdette, in Ladies' Home Journal.

I will get up and dress when the breakfast bell rings.

I will not complain when everything goes to suit me.

I will treat my wife as politely as though she was a perfect stranger.

I will strive to be more thoughtful for my own comfort, that others, seeing me happy, may also endeavor to be contented.

I will not spend so much money this year on the useless frivolities of life.

I will remember the poor if I have to make a memorandum to that effect every morning.

I will endeavor to impress upon my family the duty of greeting, with cheerful voices and laughing faces, the father of a family when he returns home, wearied with the depressing cares and labors of a long business day.

I will go out myself oftener, in order that my family may enjoy the tranquil and improving pleasure of a long, uninterrupted evening in the quiet sanctity of a happy home. I must be more unselfish, and take better care of myself that I may long be spared to be the joy and light of the home which it has pleased an appreciative Providence to bestow upon me.

I will pay my pew rent this year, if I have to deny myself a new overcoat, and my children have to go without shoes. I feel that we have not heretofore sufficiently denied ourselves in little luxuries for the sake of maintaining a good appearance at church.

I will be, in all things, an affectionate husband, a loving father, a good provider, and I will rear up a family that will love and respect me and render to me prompt and cheerful obedience, with perfect deference to my wishes and thoughtful regard for my comfort, or I will break their backs in the attempt.

### Pioneer Woman Preacher.

From the New York World.

Miss Florence Kallock, the pioneer woman preacher of Chicago and the West, has a study in the rear of her church that is more like a boudoir than the typical ministerial sanctum. In it there are soft reclining chairs, a divan covered with cushions, tables laden with photographs and bric-a-brac, and book shelves filled with the works of noted women writers. A bright fire lights up the room and adds to its appearance of comfort and coziness.

### Wealthy Negress.

Carthage has a colored washerwoman, a Mrs. Frances Phillips, whose husband died a few years ago leaving her a house and lot with a \$1,000 mortgage. She has paid off the mortgage and is now the owner of five houses and lots and has the lumber on the ground for another house. Being asked the secret of her success, she remarked: "Well, sah, you see, I does my washin' well, and I'se always got plenty to do."

### Well Done.

Governor Frances lately visited the state reform school at Boonville and informed the youthful members that he had often been importuned to pardon some of them, but he had never done so, and he never would, because he thought they were best off where they were.

### How They Fought.

Fifty-seven members of the Missouri legislature participated in the last war. Twenty democratic members were in the confederate army, and sixteen democratic members in the federal army. Twenty-one of the republican members served in the federal army.

### Whitworth Seduction Case.

The Whitworth seduction case came up before Justice Fisher this afternoon at the city court room. The trial is still going on as we go to press.

### Married by the Judge.

Wm. Beuscotz and Miss Mary E. Ream were married this afternoon by Judge Hoy at his office in the probate court room.



Off with the old and on with the new. Give your friends or relatives a new Hat, Cap, Gloves, or something in the Furnishing Goods line for a Christmas present, and buy of ROCKWELL, The Hatter.

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### Graduated.

J. W. Payne and "Reddy" Larimore were discharged from the city prison to-day, having graduated from Jim Butler's class in geology.



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"I would earnestly advise them for their good to order this paper to be punctually served up and to be looked upon as a part of the tea equipage."—ADDISON.

LET'S have factories. We've got to have 'em. Let's get 'em.

IMPROVED telford seems to be pretty good stuff. Try it on Grand, from Main to Broadway.

No more wooden sidewalks down town—nor anywhere else where better ones can be had. Sedalia can't afford to have bad walks.

THE DEMOCRAT favors paving the streets. If it can't be done in the summer then let it be done in the winter—just so we get the streets.

ED. MARVIN is eminently qualified for and entirely worthy of the position of clerk of the supreme court. Let every Sedalian help him to get it.

Is it possible, after all, that this bluster about a prospective war with Chili is being made in order to bring about large appropriations for the navy?

THE unity and harmony so necessary to the prosperity of a city was beautifully illustrated in the jail election in the city yesterday. Sedalia is all right.

FRED WILSON, as permanent secretary of the Commercial club, will do more in one year to secure manufacturing industries than has been done altogether in the past five years.

It is generally believed that the publication of Broadhead's opinion and Norton's letter means that the governor has decided not to call an extra session of the legislature this winter.

THE council should lose no time in getting resolutions passed for paving Third, Fourth, Lamine, Sixth and Main streets. When spring comes everything should be ready for paving operations to begin.

THE subscription list of the EVENING DEMOCRAT is growing right along at a rate far in excess of the most sanguine expectations of the management. This fact is a strong testimonial to the good taste and discrimination of Sedalia newspaper readers.

WHAT'S become of the grain elevator company? Sedalia ships no wheat, has no cattle and hog shippers, nor offers inducements for farmers and stock-raisers and feeders to come here to dispose of their surplus products. What are we going to do about it?

THE St. Joseph Gazette, one of the ablest papers in the state and the organ of the democracy of Northwest Missouri, hoists the name of John M. Palmer, of Illinois, as its favorite presidential candidate. The "grand old man" is worthy of that or any other honor.

CAR-SHOPS are a good thing, and if we can secure any addition to what we have we should avail ourselves of every opportunity to increase our chances. But above all let us hustle for small manufacturing industries. Shops employing from five to fifty men will bring lots of money to Sedalia.

THE council isn't altogether to blame for the delay in the Second and Fifth street paving. The property holders have a share of whatever credit there is in not having the work completed. However, the council should hereafter pave when it is time to pave whether the prop-

erty holders agree on the material or not.

THE victory won by the democrats of New York in the court of last resort helps materially in the work of overcoming the republican majority in the United States Senate. New York is really a democratic state, but it has been frequently represented in the senate by republicans because the real sentiment of the voters was stifled by the gerrymander of legislature districts.

## THE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Nothing has had to struggle harder for an existence in Sedalia than the Commercial club. That it has been a good thing for the city there is no doubt. Too many points can be cited of the good it has accomplished for any one to question the fact. But it is not doing enough.

Under the administration of Frank B. Meyer it has done much. That gentleman has shown himself peculiarly fitted for the position of president, and has brought to the service of the club an ability which has proven the wisdom of his selection for the place.

Now, more than ever in its history, does Sedalia need an active business organization. We must have it. It is an absolute business necessity.

Everyone who comes and goes says Sedalia is the best city for its size known anywhere in all this wide country, from sea to sea. This is true. But we can't stop here.

Other towns are putting forth every energy to secure whatever adds to their prosperity. Sedalia must do likewise.

Above all things now do we need factories. Industries which employ capital and labor in creating wealth, by manufacturing raw materials into product for the markets will build of the Queen City one of the most important and populous cities in the great west. These industries employ men who build homes and the home builders are the stable, reliable, conservative, patriotic citizens of any country.

What is wealth?  
It is not money.  
What then?

It is remunerative labor. It is the products of toil. It is the cultivated resources of the country.

Wealth is what Sedalia wants.

The Commercial club can do much more than it has toward securing for Sedalia more wealth and more prosperity. It cannot do so, however, unless it proceeds upon right lines. That it has accomplished as much as it has under the disadvantages under which it has labored is greatly to its credit. Organize it now on business lines, provide its present officers with ammunition with which to prosecute its objects, and Sedalia will quicken under its influences as the rose under June-time skies.

## "WHO ARE RE-ACTIONISTS."

In the course of an editorial defending democratic leaders from the wholesale attacks of those who would have the world believe that the democratic party in congress is weakening on the question of tariff reform, the Hanibal Journal says:

We repeat, then, that democrats differ only as to the best method of accomplishing the same purpose, viz., tariff reform.

Mr. Mills favors a general revision.  
Mr. Springer favors the plan originally proposed by the St. Louis Republic and popularly known as "The Twelve Apostles of Reform."

It would probably not be an exaggeration to say that during the past year the Republic has given more of its valuable space to the advocacy of the "separate bill" scheme than to any other half-dozen questions of national interest.

The Journal has repeatedly said that its (the Republic) arguments were simply unanswerable—that in that way only could the present congress hope to accomplish practical results in the direction of real tariff reform, and it would be something worse than cowardice on our part now to turn squarely around and denounce as "disturbers, and reactionists" the men who are doing, or trying to do, just what we thought and said should be done.

## National Greetings.

From an Exchange.

"How can you?" That's Swedish.

"How do you fare?" That's Dutch.

"How do you stand?" That's Italian.

"Go with God, senior." That's Spanish.

"How do you live on?" That's Russian.

"How do you perspire?" That's Egyptian.

"How do you find yourself?" That's German.

"Thank God, how are you?"

That's Arabian.

"May thy shadow never grow less." That's Persian.

"How do you carry yourself?"

That's French.

"How do you do?" That's English and American.

"Be under the guard of God." That's the Ottoman's.

"How is your stomach? Have you eaten your rice?" That's Chinese.

## THE GRIP IN FINANCES.

**It Has Caused Great Loss to Life Insurance Companies the Past Year.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The lively time which Ralph Mardin, the ex-secretary of the Life Union Insurance company of New York, stirred up among the policy holders of that corporation has not yet subsided and a committee is now at work on the books of the company to see if there have been any irregularities on the part of the officers. The committee began its work yesterday. When finished a special meeting will be called to hear the result of the investigation.

The troubles of life insurance companies during the year 1891 have been as numerous as those of the fire insurance concerns. Life insurance men do not deny that the year now closing has been the worst on record for them. Hardly a one in the business has made large profits. The grip, insurance men say, has been the cause of large expenditures and in marine circles the loss of life during the year has been larger than it has been for many years. The result of so much bad business will probably force some companies to consolidate with others and if the grip epidemic carries away many victims this winter the number of consolidations will be all the more numerous.

## KILLED HIS CONRADES.

**A Young Man Brutally Assassinated His Partners for Small Gain.**

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 29.—The brutal assassination of two men on Thursday night was developed yesterday by the arrest of George L. Longley at South McAlister, I. T. Three men traveling in a wagon were seen Thursday evening going into camp near Wilburton. Next day two stock hunters found the bodies of two dead men near the camp. Their faces were terribly mutilated. The wagon was followed and the arrest of Longley, while trying to sell the wagon and team on the streets of South McAlister, resulted. Longley was jailed here today. He refuses to talk, except in the most indirect manner, and no material answer can be gotten from him other than he formerly lived in Washington county, Ark., and was raised in Missouri. He is about 22 years of age.

## "One of the Alliance."

To the Editor of the Democrat:

In your yesterday's issue is a long correspondence by "One of the Alliance" on the Charity Ball. As the first reason against the undertaking of the Sedalia ladies the writer states: We have not gone over so far to the Jesuits as to believe that "the end justifies the means," thereby accusing the Jesuits of teaching that the end justifies the means, or in other words, that it is allowed to use immoral means to accomplish good effects. I am utterly at a loss to find a reason why "One of the Alliance" in his controversy with the Sedalia ladies of the Charity Ball should gratuitously and wantonly drag in the Jesuits, a teaching order of the Catholic Church, except it be to throw a slur on the catholics. If the article had been written by a layman, I might have let it pass unnoticed, pleading ignorance in his favor. But "One of the Ministers' Alliance" is expected to study both sides of a question. Hence he must know that the Jesuits have always most emphatically denied that any member of their order ever taught the above stated false maxim. I hope that all your readers, even the "Ministers' Alliance," agree with me that it is wrong to "bear false witness against your neighbor." I therefore call upon the author of the correspondence to either manfully retract the uncalled for attack upon the Jesuits, or bring the proof for his gratuitous assertion. In doing so he should remember that "hear-say" and "say-so" or second and third-hand quotations are of no value and will not justify him in making the above stated odious accusation. Nothing but the quoting of the very words of the Jesuit who taught the false maxim will do.

B. DICKMAN,

Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Sedalia, Mo.

## For Sweet Charity.

OMAHA, Dec. 29.—Senator Pad-dock has telegraphed Secretaries Rusk and Foster that probably nearly every county in the state will contribute a car of corn for Russian relief, and that an effort will be made to be loaded on the Constellation.

## DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.

**The Supreme Court Decision Makes the New York Legislature Democratic.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Legislature of New York, elected the first Monday in November last, is Democratic. The court of last resort has said it, and from its fiat there is no appeal.

The Republicans have all along claimed the credit of invoking the law to untangle the whole affair, though, as a matter of fact, the Democrats were from the beginning ready and anxious to have the contests reviewed by the bench, confident that justice would soonest triumph by such a course. The contests have been renewed, the pleading carefully examined, and an opinion delivered which will enable the Democrats to organize the State Senate as well as the Assembly.

It will be hard to realize what this triumph of democrats over the most outrageous gerrymander in the history of partisan politics really signifies. First, it means a reapportionment of the state on equitable lines and as the law directs, so that here in this democratic city, thousands of democrats heretofore practically disfranchised will have a voice in the selection of future legislatures. It means that New York will in future be represented in the United States senate by majority senators who are democrats instead of by minority senators who are republicans.

It means that two years hence Hiscock, the Apollo, will go to join Everts and Lapham, and Warner Miller and Platt and others who have misrepresented the state, which is conceded to be democratic, and that his place will be occupied by a democrat, who will not be so pretty, perhaps, but who will have a good deal more sense.

Hold-over Republicans have been kept in office since 1880 by the persistent refusal of Republican Senators to confirm appointees of a Democratic Governor. They will walk the plank with celerity, and if they stand upon the order of their going they will be assisted in their exit by the determined toe of an executive boot.

The constitution expressly declares that the State shall be reapportioned into new legislative districts every decade. Knowing that a reapportionment meant a farewell to their hopes of perpetuating the outrage their gerrymander foisted on the people, the Republicans have refused to obey the organic law. Intrenched behind this gerrymander, they have considered their position impregnable, but the Democratic hosts having assaulted and captured their stronghold, and a day of reckoning will dawn with the New Year.

Four seats were at issue before the courts, and of these the democrats will get two and the republicans two, but one of these republicans (Deane) is dead, and his successor will not be elected until after the senate is organized. At the opening of the session of the senate there will be sixteen democrats, fourteen republicans and one independent sworn in. Immediately after the election it was claimed by the democrats that Sherwood (Rep.), who received a majority in the Twenty-sixth district, was plainly ineligible under the constitution by reason of the fact that he held another office, that of park commissioner, within sixty days of the election. With characteristic disregard for the constitution the republicans insisted that he be awarded a certificate of election anyway. A mandamus looking to this end was served on the state board of canvassers, an order being obtained in a lower court. By to-day's decision this order is reversed, the application for mandamus is denied and dismissed without costs. The board of canvassers will now pass upon Mr. Sherwood's eligibility and doubtless render a decision adverse to him and grant a certificate to Walker (Dem.), his opponent.

In the Fifteenth District Osborne (Dem.) and Deane (Rep.) were the candidates. Deane received more votes than Osborne, but it was claimed by the democrats that irregularities at the polls nullified a large number of votes cast for him. A certificate which has become known to fame as the "Mylod" certificate, was granted to Osborne. The court forbids the use of this "Mylod" certificate. The Board of Canvassers to-night gave the certificate to Osborne. As above stated, Deane is dead and a new election will not be held in the Fifteenth District until after the Senate has been organized.

The Onondago county dispute involved one senatorship and one seat in the assembly. It was declared by the republicans that the intention to elect Rufus T. Peck to the senate on the part of a majority of the voters was clear. The point of issue was the mixing up of ballots so that some hundreds of these were polled in wrong districts. The court decided against Peck, and John A.

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## AMUSEMENTS.

## Uncle Tom's Cabin.

Nichols, his democratic opponent, will be seated by the board of canvassers.

Derby (rep.) will get his seat in the Sixteenth senatorial district, notwithstanding the protests of Collins (dem.), who contested his claim on the ground that fraud had been practiced at the polls.

Ryan (dem.) will also get his seat in the assembly, which was contested by David A. Munro Jr., and this will correspondingly increase the democratic majority in the lower house.

## A BIG HORSE STEAL.

**Wyoming Thieves Got Away With 300 to 400 Head.**

CHEYENE, Wyo., Dec. 29.—In a letter to the office of the company here, the manager of a beef outfit in the Big Horn, Basin county, tells of wholesale horse-stealing; adding to the news on the same subject, coming here from Helena, Mont. The raid was made a month ago while the men were gone to the Northern Pacific for winter supplies. It is now discovered that the gang occupied an old cabin in a wild locality north of the Heart Mountains. Here they prepared for the round-up and flight. At the favorable time they rushed over the ranges and selected between 300 and 400 head of the best horses. It is surprising that so far all efforts to trail the thieves have failed. It is believed that they are in Jackson's Hole or the Teton basin, changing the brands. In that case they are now snowed in and will be headed off. Losers offer \$2,000 for their horses and \$500 apiece for the men. This gang is in no way connected with the Johnston County "Rustlers."

## THE TWINE TRUST.

**It Has Got All the Northwestern Dealers Into a Panic.**

MASON CITY, Io., Dec. 29.—It now seems as if the National Cordage company would virtually control the sale of binding twine in the northwest. An interview with all the retail dealers reveals that but one had made his purchases, and he only a small quantity, all fearing results. It is agreed that both manilla and sisal twine will range from one cent to two cents higher next year than it has this. The principal object of the combine is to shut out all alliance dealers who buy in large quantities and sell to their members at cost, thus completely demoralizing the business.

## A World's Fair Prize.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Director-General Davis to-day received from a prominent Eastern manufacturing firm an offer to deposit with anyone he may designate \$5,000 as a prize for the best poem or song read or sung at the opening ceremonies of the World's Fair, the contest to be open to the world and the prize to be awarded to the writer by a committee to be selected by the commission. The Director-General will at once place the proposition before the proper committee.

Go to Harris for farmers' coal—the best in two states. Tel. 115.

## Knew Simon Kenton.

MAVSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 29.—Alfred Cole, whose age is said to be 115 years, died yesterday at his home in Springdale, this county, from the effects of la grippe. Cole was personally acquainted with Simon Kenton, one of Kentucky's noted pioneers, and distinctly remembered the inauguration of President Washington in 1789. Cole's mother died when she was 113 years old.

Our Christmas stock of Accordions, Violins, Harps, Guitars, Banjos, etc. came tootlate for the rush, therefore we are cutting our price below any bogus sensation or bankrupt figures. Sharp's C. M. H. on East Fifth street.

James O'Brien, the leading cigar manufacturer of Central Missouri.

Without Uncle Tom's Cabin the theatrical world would be a very queer thing. Nothing is better known and nothing draws better. The Lyceum company promises an unusually good entertainment at Wood's next Tuesday.

## Blown Up With Dynamite.

ALTOONA, Dec. 29.—The Clearfield hotel livery stable was blown up by dynamite at 2 o'clock this morning. The debris took fire and spreading to adjoining properties destroyed five other buildings. Eight horses were also consumed. The greatest excitement prevails, as it is feared by the people that an organized effort to destroy the town is made.

## To New Fields.

George Mahy, lately the popular secretary of the Y. M. C. A., left last night for Erie, Penn. Mr. Mahy has made one of the vigorous secretaries the association has ever had in Sedalia. He is now assistant secretary for the Y. M. C. A. in Pennsylvania. The many friends of Mr. Mahy wish him unbounded success.

## John L. Deserted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Jack Barnett, formerly business agent for John L. Sullivan, has severed his connection with the latter. Barnett states that his action is due to an accumulation of grievances extending over five years, the time he has been with Sullivan.

## A Lively Runaway.

Two horses attached to a carriage took fright while standing unhitched on Second street late yesterday afternoon and started off on a dead run. After a run of several blocks, they were stopped with but little damage to the carriage. No one was injured.

## Died at Ninety-Six.

Wm. E. Goode, aged ninety-six years and six months, died in Saline county on December 26th. He was next to the oldest citizen of Saline county, Mr. Baldwin Harle being 101 years old last Monday.

## Prominent Banker Paralyzed.

The Marshall Progress says that A. S. Van Auglen, a prominent Marshall banker is bedfast again, having been stricken with paralysis in the lower limbs. It is hoped that the affliction is only temporary, and that his recovery will be speedy.

## Who Gets the Premium?

An opportunity for the ladies to try their skill as bread makers. I will give a premium of FORTY dollars to the lady who makes the finest bread from Patent flour, manufactured by me. The above bread is to be made from hop yeast. I will also give a premium of TEN dollars for the best salt rising bread made from the same brand of flour. Mr. Fleichman has readily consented to allow the exhibit to be made in his store. The premium will be awarded on January 15, and all bread must be delivered on that day. Remember the name of the flour, "Fancy Patent," there is none better. Try it and be convinced of this fact. Respectfully,  
B. S. REMBAUGH.

## Effects of the Strike.

Ticket Agent Berry received official orders this morning not to sell tickets over the S. A. & A. P. railway until the present strike is settled.

The last square piano for sale at a sacrifice at Sharp's music house. This offer is made in order to close stock out by January 1st.

## At Home.

Mrs. Percie Harker will be at home from 8 to 12 p. m., Dec. 31st, in honor of Miss Hattie Biggers, of St. Louis.

## Girl Wanted!

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**A Dynamite Bomb has Fallen**

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The bankrupt stock of "Reed's  
Temple of Music", 184 Wabash  
ave., Chicago, selling below factory  
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pianos and organs will be shipped  
to Sedalia and sacrificed. Prices  
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the opportunity of a lifetime to buy  
an instrument. If you expect to buy  
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## BRAVE MAINE WOMEN.

THEY DO NOT HESITATE TO AT-  
TACK A BEAR WITHOUT GUNS.

Armed with a Pitchfork and an Ax, Two  
Female Inhabitants of a Lumber Dis-  
trict Slay an Enormous Creature Which  
Had Killed Two Steers.

"I read about Mrs. Lewis killing the  
two bucks in the Adirondacks, and about  
Mrs. Becky Latimer's deer hunting ex-  
ploits in Pennsylvania," said a New  
Yorker who has been hunting up in  
Maine, "and now I would like to read  
about the way some women up in the  
pine forests have of showing their grit  
and skill when it comes to dealing with  
certain wild animals.

"A family named McDonald lives way  
back in the wilderness of the Molus  
river. It consists of the husband, Rod-  
erick McDonald, his wife and his sister,  
both young women. They have a snug  
little farm in there, and keep a few cat-  
tle. Their most valuable possession in  
that line was a yoke of steers. One day  
McDonald was obliged to go to one of  
the settlements several miles away, and  
his business was to keep him over night.  
His wife and sister were left alone to  
look after things during his absence.  
Just before dark a great bellowing was  
heard among the cattle in the barnyard.  
The sounds were of such an unusual  
character that the two women became  
satisfied that they were cries of terror.  
Mrs. McDonald, armed with a pitchfork,  
and her sister, carrying an ax, hurried to  
the barnyard.

"There they found an enormous bear,  
standing defiantly between the prostrate  
bodies of the two steers, each of which  
he had felled to the ground and killed.  
The other cattle were huddled in terror  
in a corner of the yard. The bear  
growled and snarled and showed his  
teeth as the women approached, but, in  
spite of his terrible front and threaten-  
ing attitude, the sight of the steers lying  
dead on the ground was more than the  
plucky young women could stand, and  
they rushed with desperate intent on the  
snarling bear.

THEY KILLED THE BEAR.  
"Mrs. McDonald charged with her  
pitchfork and thrust its sharp, long tines  
deep into the bear's neck. The bear  
gave a howl of pain, and striking the  
handle of the pitchfork a powerful blow  
with one forepaw he wrenched it from  
Mrs. McDonald's hands and sent it flying  
across the barnyard. While the bear  
was doing that Miss McDonald pitched  
into him with the ax, and at the first  
blow disabled one of his terrible forelegs.  
The bear turned on her and she rained  
blows thick and fast upon him as she  
backed slowly away. Mrs. McDonald  
quickly regained possession of the pitch-  
fork and renewed her attack on the bear.  
"Between the attacks of the two de-  
termined and plucky women the bear  
was so badly harassed that he made an  
effort to escape from the field, but the  
women pressed him too closely. The  
battle was not of long duration, for the  
lusty blows of the axe in the girl's hands  
and the deep and painful stabs inflicted  
by Mrs. McDonald with her pitchfork  
soon had their effect on the bear, big  
and tough as he was, and in ten minutes  
after the fight began he was stretched  
dead by the side of his victims, the two  
steers. The two nifty women had their  
clothing nearly stripped from them by  
the claws of the bear, but beyond a few  
scratches they were not injured.

"They were not on the scene in time  
to save the valued steers, but their pluck  
in avenging the death of the cattle  
aroused so much enthusiasm and ad-  
miration at the settlement that a purse  
was raised among the lumbermen and  
hunters, with which another yoke of  
steers was bought and presented to Mrs.  
McDonald and her brave little sister.

ANOTHER WOMAN'S BEAR.  
"In that same Molus river wilderness,  
but nearer the headwaters, lives during  
the summer and sometimes as late as the  
middle of November, if the weather is  
not too severe, a family named Baker.  
They are Boston people, but on account  
of the health of one of the family, who  
is benefited by the spruce and pine air of  
the region, they spend most of the year  
in their commodious cabin in the Molus  
woods.

"Baker's wife is a pretty woman of  
about thirty, and has learned to handle  
the rifle like an old woodsman. She in-  
sisted on making one of a party that had  
formed to rout out and kill a big bear  
that had been located in a swamp a mile  
or so from the cabin. She was stationed  
by the guide at a spot where in his judg-  
ment the bear would not be likely to  
come out when the dogs got after him,  
as he had no faith in a woman's ability  
to stand and shoot at a bear as it  
bounced into sight out of a thicket.

"His judgment was right, for when  
the dogs got on the track of the bear  
Mrs. Baker heard them taking a course  
that would fetch brain out of the swamp  
at a place where she would be unable to  
see it or get a shot. But she wasn't there  
to be fooled, and she started on a run  
for the spot where the bear was evidently  
headed for, and she got there before any  
one else did. The bear, a tremendous  
big fellow, as black as ink, broke through  
the thick brush on the edge of the swamp,  
and was putting in his besticks across  
the opening for cover on the other side.  
But he never reached cover. Mrs. Baker  
put one rifle ball close behind his left  
shoulder and another through his loins.  
When the guide, Mr. Baker and another  
member of the party came tearing to  
the spot, Mrs. Baker was sitting on the  
carcass of the bear as cool as a cucum-  
ber, and with mock disgust exclaimed:  
"You're a nice lot of hunters, I de-  
clare! If it hadn't been for me this  
bear would have been a mile away in  
the woods before you stupid things knew  
what had become of it!"—New York  
Sun.

Differed with the Speaker.  
The Minister—I now come to that  
great rite, the Passover, and—  
Drowsy Railroad Official (awaking  
suddenly)—I tell you you have no right  
to a pass over this road. Sam, show this  
man to the door.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

## THE FLAG OF DISTRESS.

Over the Ocean of Being,  
Till the wind fails,  
Fast on their venturesome voyage  
Speed the white sails!

But from the ships that have foundered,  
Laboring slow,  
Hardly abreast of the billows,  
The rough rafts go.

Thereon the stranded from shipwreck  
Painfully lie,  
Lead seems the water around them  
Brazen the sky.

Cruel the ships that in safety  
Steadfastly speed,  
Cruellest souls that aboard them  
Reck not nor heed.

Nay! for across the wan water  
No appeal falls!  
Nay! for the tiniest signals  
Stay the white sails!

Some from the ship will come speeding  
Eager to save,  
Heirs to one glory of living,  
Heirs to one grave.

But if the bearers of succor  
Find not the track?  
If to the hail of the helpers  
Nothing come back?

What if the wash of the waters  
Drown the heart throbs?  
If the wild winds in their courses  
Stifle the sob?

Say, shall the true hearts of comrades  
Ainly be stirred?  
Thou who so sorrowed, answer?  
Some one has heard!

—L. M. Little in Academy.

## The Sacred Books of Ceylon.

There are three books regarded as sac-  
red by Buddhists of Ceylon. The first,  
called the Mahavanso, is the most highly  
venerated. It has been very carefully  
handed down from generation to gener-  
ation, the most ancient copies not vary-  
ing in the least from those of modern  
date. The Mahavanso contains "The  
Doctrine, Race and Lineage of Buddha,"  
besides the authentic annals of Ceylon-  
ese Buddhism.

Next to the Mahavanso in point of  
veneration is the "Learned Priest's" his-  
tory of Buddha, called the Rajaratna-  
cari. This book also contains extracts  
from other antique works, besides a  
record of the erection of the various  
temples and shrines of the island and a  
history of the kings from the year 540  
B. C. The third of the Ceylonese sacred  
books is called the Rajavali or "Light  
Giver"; it is simply a modern supple-  
ment of the other two and brings the  
records down to date. The main por-  
tion is given up to recording events in  
Ceylonese history since the advent of the  
Dutch, especial attention being  
given to that portion of the work which  
tells of the expulsion of the Portuguese.  
—St. Louis Republic.

## Silk Weaving by Electricity.

An interesting trial has been made in  
Germany with silk weavers' looms  
worked by electricity. By a cable of  
100 feet in length, a one horse power  
electric shunt motor, with 100 volts and  
four amperes, was put in motion, and  
the transmission for the weavers' looms  
was restricted by a communicator to  
seventy-two revolutions. Two weavers'  
looms were put in motion, the result be-  
ing that the working by electricity was  
more satisfactory than that by means of  
caloric engines or gas motors, and the  
swinging masses, otherwise necessary  
for the working on a small scale, can be  
dispensed with. The German papers  
think the results named show that house  
industry could easily be made to flourish  
by the transmission of electric power,  
and this all the more as electricity can  
be transmitted equally well under any  
temperature.—New York Telegram.

## Paid the Reporter.

A reporter in Sherman, Mich., pub-  
lished an item announcing an approach-  
ing wedding, and the next day was ac-  
cused by the gentleman named as bride-  
groom, who gravely asked him on whose  
authority he had made the announce-  
ment. Before the timid reporter could  
reply the man groped for his pistol  
pocket, and the reporter thought his  
hour of doom had come. Imagine his  
joy when, instead of a pistol, the man  
produced a pocketbook, from which he  
extracted a five dollar bill. This he  
thankfully gave to the reporter, saying  
that the marriage announcement had  
spared him the trouble of popping the  
question.—Exchange.

## "Coat" Means "Dress" in Ireland.

"Coat" is a word that has gained in  
breadth of meaning. It is not simply  
the outer covering of the upper part of  
the body of the male creature; women's  
rights are so far recognized in Ireland  
that the word applies as well to a femi-  
nine article of dress; but, indeed, the  
corresponding article to that worn by  
the men—that is, a jacket—but it is  
among the working classes (and to this  
class alone what has been written ap-  
plies) the usual word for "dress."—Lon-  
don Tit-Bits.

## The Human Voice.

An interesting incident showing at how  
great a distance a conversation can be  
carried on is related by Lieutenant Fos-  
ter, of the third Parry arctic expedition,  
in which he says that he conversed with a  
man across the harbor of Port Bowers, a  
mile and a quarter away, and it has also  
been asserted on good authority that at  
Gibraltar the human voice has been dis-  
tinctly heard at a distance of ten miles.  
—Harper's Young People.

There was in London a few years ago a  
lady who had the most intense abhor-  
rence of white loaf sugar. Did she hap-  
pen to come into contact with that  
innocent article, or were even a lump of  
it brought into her presence, she would  
be seized with a violent paroxysm of  
rage.

A sagacious dog, which had been con-  
fined for a week in a barn near Gibson,  
made his escape finally by climbing the  
weather boarding a distance of fifteen  
feet and then jumping to the ground.

The revival of the popularity of brass  
work has created a new industry and set  
thousands of men at work making beau-  
tiful brass goods for domestic utensils,  
fancy goods and ornamental work.

## THE SEASON'S FASHIONS.

EVENING GOWNS NOW WORN  
IN PARIS.

Frenchy Combination of Colors the  
Ruling Passion with the Fair  
Ones—A Louis XVI Coat of Mauve  
—Fashion Notes.

[Paris Correspondence.]

Surely the feminine heart cannot  
wish for anything more exquisite than  
the evening gowns that are now to be  
seen in the leading millinery estab-  
lishments. They are tasteful, artistic  
and becoming, with their faultlessly  
fitting bodices and their exquisitely  
hanging skirts. So perfect are these  
same skirts that almost every woman  
seems graceful and stately of move-  
ment.

Between the designs of the two  
great men-milliners, Worth and Felix,  
there is no choice. From their pro-  
ductions I have chosen four gowns to  
describe to the feminine readers. The  
richest is a reception gown by Worth,  
intended for a young married lady.

It is the Frenchiest of affairs in its  
combination of colors, and at first  
glance it dazes the unsophisticated  
American. But the longer we look at  
it the more we admire it. In other  
words you come to scoff and remain to  
buy.

The colors used are gold, mauve and  
pale green. The long-trained skirt is  
of gold-colored silk, trimmed about the  
bottom with two frills of the same. A  
Louis XVI coat of mauve and green



brocade is worn over this; it is em-  
broided royally in gold and has large  
lace-trimmed and embroidered pockets  
on the hips. It is cut V shape in the  
back and square in front, a gathered  
pointed plastron of pale green chiffon,  
shot with gold, being let in under the  
embroidered edges of the front. The  
short puffed sleeves are also of chiffon,  
and are confined by a band of gold  
ribbon about the arm. Gold slippers  
are to be worn with this chic affair.

The second Worth creation is a frock  
for a very young lady, some blushing  
debutante. It is of sheer silk muslin  
in a pale rose color that reminds me of  
the flush of sunrise. It has been a  
long time since I've seen the sun rise  
but I know it must look like this gown.



It (the gown) is scattered over with  
bunches of wild briar roses in their  
natural colors. It is made over a silk  
slip of rose color, and has a plain, full  
skirt with a very deep hem. The  
round, low-necked bodice is gathered  
into a pointed corset of rose-colored  
satin, and the large sleeves are gath-  
ered into cuffs of the same.

It is a most appropriate frock for a  
fair bud.

A model Felix evening gown is of  
mauve gauze over pink satin, a most  
artistic combination. The skirt is  
made long and full, with several festooned  
frills of silver lace about  
the bottom. The bodice is  
short—the long coats for bod-  
ices are seeing their last days



A WORTH CREATION

here—and finished by a pointed piece  
of silver embroidery. A square Spanish  
jacket of silver filigree work is worn  
over the puffed gauze of the bodice,  
which is made of pink satin like the  
under skirt of slip. It is décolleté  
and has short, full sleeves, showing  
all of the arms, and trimmed with  
frills of the silver lace.

Another gown for a young lady is of  
pure white tulle over white satin and  
is fair to look upon. It is exquisitely  
simple, its only decoration being a  
wide Greek border in silver ribbon

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Give him a call. His prices are as low now as they  
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## A Live Tarantula.

Will Sanderson while removing  
bananas from a new bunch of the  
fruit in the back room of his con-  
fectionery, was suddenly confronted  
by a large tarantula which had  
crawled out from between the ba-  
nanas and stalk. The monster  
spider was evidently out of his cli-  
mate and seemed to be suffering  
with a case of the grip, therefore  
did not manifest any desire to at-  
tack Mr. Sanderson. It was cap-  
tured and put to death in the fiery  
furnace.—Marshall Democrat-News

## Another False Alarm.

Sam Johnson, the newspaper  
scribe, had another false fire alarm  
last evening and proceeded to the  
scene of devastation with his old-  
time celebrity. The fire proved to  
be a hoax originated by Mayor  
Stevens to collect the voting popula-  
tion around the court house.

## Where is Martin?

Come to 525 East Second street  
and see the business he is doing.

Go to Harris for hard coal, stove  
and cord wood. Tel. 115.

## New Year's Reception.

The Edward Murphy Temperance  
Club will give a reception at their  
rooms on East Fifth street on New  
Year's day from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m.  
Light refreshments will be served  
and a hearty welcome is extended to  
all visitors.

## Pastor's Aid Society

Of the M. E. church south will  
have a meeting at Mrs. Ed. Love's,  
to state methods by which the dol-  
lar was earned. All come. Will  
close with a watch meeting.

## A Snap.

One organ, "no good," - \$10.00  
" " " good for beginner, 30.00  
" " " a good one, 40.00  
" " " a splendid one, 50.00  
\$125 organ, used three months 87.50  
Seeing is believing, at Sharp's,  
the Central Music House, 112 East  
Fifth.

## RAILROAD TIME-CARDS.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas Ry.

SOUTHBOUND. MAIN LINE. Arrive. Leave.

No. 1, Texas Express, 5:45 p. m. 6:15 a. m.

No. 3, " " 8:55 a. m. 9:15 a. m.

NORTHBOUND. MAIN LINE. Arrive. Leave.

No. 2, Texas Express, 8:15 a. m. 10:40 a. m.

No. 4, Chicago Exp's, 5:50 p. m. 6:10 p. m.

Sedalia, Warsaw and Southern.

NORTH BOUND. Arrives.

No. 200, Accommodation, 9:45 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND. Leaves.

No. 199, Accommodation, 4:15 p. m.

Missouri Pacific Ry.

MAIN LINE. WESTBOUND. Arrive. Leave.

No. 1 Day Express, 3:25 p. m. 3:35 p. m.

No. 3 Night Express, 3:45 a. m. 3:25 a. m.

No. 5 Local Pass'g'r, 3:45 p. m. 3:40 p. m.

No. 7 Fast Mail, 7:55 a. m. 8:00 a. m.

No. 9



## THE WEATHER.

Weather for Missouri for twenty-four hours beginning at 8 a. m. to-day: Fair, slight changes in temperature, increasing cloudiness on Thursday.

## REAL ESTATE.

The following real estate transfers were filed in the recorder's office to-day:

J. Brownfield and wife to I. E. and Felix J. Crouch 120 acres in section 19, township 44, range 22. \$2,800.

Geo. E. Hollenbeck and wife to Ira B. Perdue, 40 acres in section 1, township 44, range 23, \$1,200.

Calvin J. Clingan and wife to Wesley B. Shaw, lots 3 and 4, block 7, Hall's addition to Lamonte. \$500.

Wesley B. Shaw and wife to Callie Clingan, lots 3 and 4, block 7, Hall's addition to Lamonte. \$500.

Thos. E. Gregory to Henry Zinn, a tract of land in section 1, township 44, range 20. \$400.

## A Bad Fire.

From a passenger on a north bound train it was learned that the little town of Hepler, Kans., was almost destroyed by fire at 1:30 o'clock this morning.

A strong wind was blowing and carried the flames with the fury of hurricane.

Many families were turned out in the cold and when the train passed through at 2 o'clock this morning women and children, half-clothed, were shivering in the piercing night air.

## Our First Issue.

We advise all our patrons to go to Dave Ramsay for furniture. He has the stock and prices; he sells the goods. See his stock before you buy. His elegant line catches the eye. See him; buy of him. He will save you money. Undertaker and embalmer; no ice used; modern methods; open day and night. 116 & 118 2nd st.

## Prosperous Negro.

John Collins, now a land owner and farmer near Fayette, Mo., is in Independence to see Mrs. S. E. Embree, who owned him before the war. During the war John was the only slave who remained with Mrs. Embree and he was practically her sole support. Now he is a man nearly 70 years old and still thinks there is nobody like "Miss Embree."—Sentinel.

## Stockholders' Meeting.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 24, 1891. The regular annual election for nine directors of this bank, will be held at the banking rooms on Tuesday, January 12th, 1892. Polls open from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. ADAM ITTEL, Cashier.

See our Goods and compare prices. We are here, our chairs and Parlor Goods are immense. We have only one price to all; no shoddy goods on hand; only one price and best wishes to all; largest line, lowest prices. See them—buy them, for they are going fast. Dave Ramsey, 116 and 118 Second street, Undertaker and Embalmer. No ice, and modern methods.

## A Nice Present.

Mr. J. D. McCarty received a useful as well as an ornamental present during his visit to St. Louis, Christmas week. It was a neat sign in form of a man with the world on his shoulders. Jas. L. Nager of St. Louis was donor, and he has done himself proud in this last piece of workmanship.

Dr. J. H. Cody, oculist and aurist. Practice limited to diseases and surgery of the eye and ear and the removing of superfluous hair and facial blemishes. Spectacles adjusted. Office 313 Ohio street, Sedalia, Mo.

## For Throwing Rocks.

A warrant was sworn out before Justice Fisher this afternoon by G. R. Border for the arrest of Fannie and Clarence Burton, two negro boys who have been throwing rocks and mistreating his little son.

At noon to-day his son was struck in the back of the head with a rock and knocked from a horse while carrying his father's dinner.

## Justice Fisher's Court.

John Doyle, for disturbing the peace, was fined \$1 and costs and will serve time in jail.

Ed. Price, arrested by Detective DeLong for stealing an overcoat from Cramer's clothing house, was fined \$25 and costs. Sheriff Smith will take care of him.

## His Mother Ill.

Mr. R. D. Harris, of the Third National bank, was called to the home of his mother at Albion, Ill., this morning by a telegram announcing the serious illness of that lady.

## Released From Jail.

Briggs Hart, the Moberly barber charged with stealing \$13.75 from John Dorsey, a switchman, was discharged from jail to-day.

## A PAIR THAT'S HARD TO BEAT!

Of all combinations that are hard to beat, the strutting turkey and the steaming pudding come pretty near being the most invincible. They are formidable aspirants for public favor in these festive days—but even

*Leaders Are Occasionally Led!*

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The Most Bewildering Variety Ever Shown to Make Your Purchases for the Holiday Presents!

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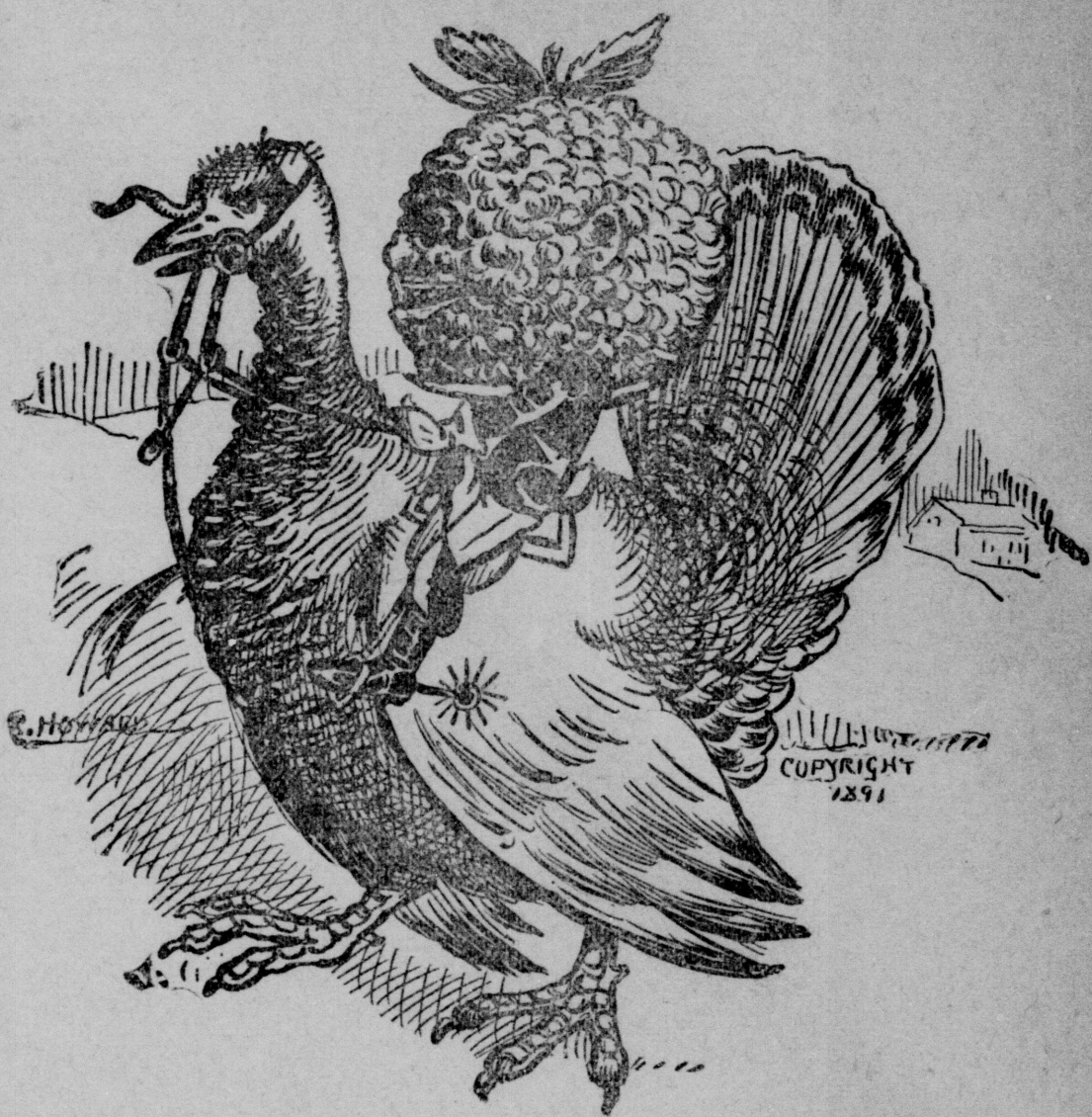
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## PERSONALS.

The Emerson piano leads. 112 East Fifth.

S. B. Quigley came in from St. Louis this morning.

Mrs. Killian returned from St. Louis this morning.

W. H. Powell, jr., is reported much better to-day.

W. D. Fellows was a passenger to Chicago last night.

Leslie Marmaduke is down from Sweet Springs to-day.

Mrs. E. R. Diggs, of Parsons, is visiting friends in the city.

Joe Simpson and wife went to Kansas City this afternoon.

Joseph Cohn and wife, from Warrensburg, are shopping in Sedalia to-day.

Dr. Shadburn, first house-surgeon at the hospital, is still confined to his bed.

Arthur Ferguson, with Aug. T. Fleishmann, is visiting in Hughesville to-day.

Go and see the fountain and try a shot at the swinging balls at 207 West Main street.

R. W. Prigmore, with Prosecuting Attorney Longan, is at his home in Houstonia sick.

Charley Parker returned to Lexington yesterday afternoon after a pleasant visit in Sedalia.

H. Coil Murphy, of the military academy, at Mexico, Mo., is the guest of his friend Harry DeLong.

Geo. B. Longan came down from Kansas City to attend the funeral of the Rev. G. W. Longan at Sweet Springs.

Dr. Bonham, of Franklin, and Editor Campbell, of the Boonville Bee, two very pleasant gentlemen, were in the city last night.

J. I. Bellwood, one of the substantial farmers of Saline county but who is well known in Pettis, gave the DEMOCRAT a pleasant visit while in the city.

Miss Kate Van Dyne, a well known and popular young lady in this city, is expected from her home in Tyler, Texas, next week and will be the guest of Mrs. Mint Johns.

Vincent Strong, a prominent dry goods merchant, of Hannibal, Mo. Mr. Strong reports Hannibal to be making many improvements. Broadway, the principal business street is soon to be paved.

Mark Goodwin leaves in the morning to resume his studies at the Military Academy, Neosho. Mark has lately become prominent

as a baritone singer at Neosho and has sung on several occasions in the prominent church choirs in that city. Sedalia boys always get to the front.

**ABSALOM McVEY DEAD.**  
He Died at His Home This Afternoon—An Old Citizen.

Absalom McVey died at his home in the eastern part of the city at 1:30 this afternoon of inflammation of the bowels and stomach.

Mr. McVey has been identified with Sedalia and Pettis county for many years and one of our best citizens. He reached the ripe age of 89 years last October. A large family mourns his loss, most of whom are now young men and women.

He has been for many years a consistent member of the Christian church in this city and was always ready with his means to assist any effort to benefit the moral part of the community and the business interests of Sedalia. Few men reach the ripe age of Absalom McVey and have so little of regret mingled with life when they lie down to take their last sleep.

The time of the funeral has not been decided upon as we go to press.

## John Bellmar Dead.

John Bellmar, an old and respected citizen of Sedalia, died in St. Louis yesterday where he had gone to have an operation performed for cancer of the face.

His remains will be brought to Sedalia to-night and buried tomorrow afternoon. He was a member of the German D. O. H.

## Train Late.

The Lexington branch train was forty minutes late this morning.

## Bishop Brooks' Way with Children.

No one who has seen Dr. Brooks with children is likely to forget his "way with them." Sterner persons say that he makes them behave very badly, and, possibly in jealousy, others have called him fonder of youngsters than of grown people. No objection is heard from the children. They look midgets, indeed, on those knees, high and broad, in which two schools of churchmanship figuratively meet. Is it foolish to imagine that the new bishop's visitations will gain some of their power—over mothers at least—through his extremely happy intercourse with the children? However literally true it may be, surely the story of Dr. Brooks going to a poor woman's rooms and keeping the children out of mischief while she went to church tells something of his spirit. And the story loses none of its point when one reflects that the woman could not hear one of her visitor's sermons.—Harper's Weekly.

## HOSPITAL NOTES.

The arrivals to-day were: Jack Reed, section hand, Troy, Tex., la grippe.

W. Manning, switchman, Denison, fracture of left clavicle.

## POLICE COURT.

Eugene Maher, charged with late hours, was run in by Officer Lou Kahrs last night. He was fined and given a staff to leave town.

## A Distinguished Visitor.

Judge James Gibson, of Kansas City, who has been attending the meeting of the circuit judges held in St. Louis, will be at Sicher's tomorrow, as the guest of Stephen Hayde, of this city. The judge is a prominent candidate for gubernatorial honors and has many strong supporters in his aspirations.

## Pleasantly Entertained.

A small number of friends were pleasantly entertained by Miss Jennie Jaynes at her home on Broadway last evening. Miss Jaynes is one of the most accomplished young ladies in the city and her friends always look forward to her "evenings" with pleasure.

## What is More Serious?

One of our papers, in describing an accident to a young man by the falling of a board the other day, said that "his escape from death, or some more serious injury, was fortunate." Perhaps he had nine lives.

## A Small Party.

About twenty couples of young folks were present at an informal dance given by Chas. Klein in honor of his 21st birthday. Prof. Gregg and orchestra furnished the music and all had a thoroughly good time.

## An Evening Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shultz entertained a number of friends last evening at their home on Grand avenue in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter, of St. Louis. Mrs. Dexter is the sister of Mrs. Shultz.

## Home Circle.

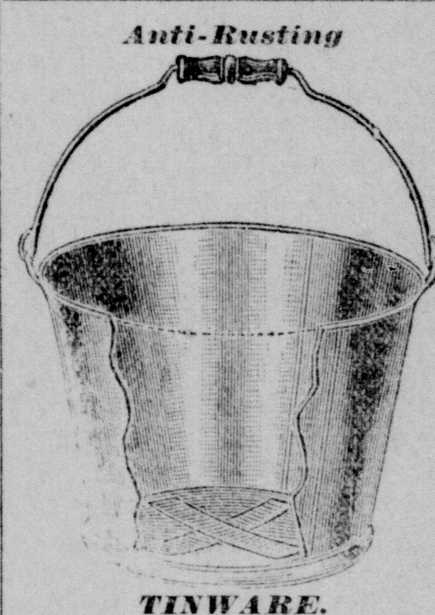
The regular meeting of the Home Circle club will be held at 8:30 at the Commercial clubs to-night.

## Attending the Trial.

A great number are in from the country to-day attending the Ham-Whitworth seduction trial.

## Card Party.

The "Home Circle" society will give a card party at the Commercial club rooms to-night.



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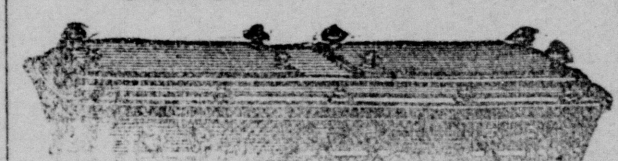
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